UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK ----x Case No. 07 Civ. 11332 (SAS) BIRMINGHAM ASSOCIATES LTD, **RULE 7.1 STATEMENT** Plaintiff, v. ABBOTT LABORATORIES, Defendant.

Pursuant to Rule 7.1 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, defendant Abbott Laboratories, by its attorneys, Patterson, Belknap, Webb & Tyler LLP, states that it has no parent companies and no publicly held companies own 10% or more of its stock.

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Respectfully submitted,

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